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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

1. Nitric acid of high purity is being produced at the Leuna works in Merseburg. Production figures have been continuing virtually unchanged.
2. The nitric acid is shipped in stoneware crocks, and the shipment is very dangerous, since the crocks have to be opened from time to time to prevent the formation of gases.
3. Shipments go only to the USSR and Czechoslovakia. No shipments to the west or southwest could be confirmed.

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